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1. POLITICAL COUNSELOR AND EMBOFFS INVOLVED IN CODEL VISIT MET IN KREMLIN JUNE 18 WITH AMBASSADOR V.G. VYSOTIN, CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF SUPREME SOVIET PRESIDUM, AND OTHER SUPREME SOVIET OFFICIALS TO GO OVER ARRANGMENTS. ATMOSPHERE WAS UNUSUALLY CORDIAL AND SOVIETS SEEMED EAGER TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO MAKE VISIT A SUCCESS. SOVIETS EMPHASIZED THROUGHOUT THAT MUCH OF PROGRAM WAS FLEXIBLE AND SUBJECT TO DESIRES OF SENATORS AND WIVES.

2. PROGRAM. VYSOTIN GAVE US FOLLOWING SUGGESTED PROGRAM. (WIVES' PROGRAM FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.)

SATURADY, JUNE 28

1910 ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE FOR HOTEL ROSSIYA, WHERE CODEL WILL STAY. DINNER WILL BE AVAILABLE IF DESIRED. NO PROGRAM FOR EVENING.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 29

0900 DEPARTURE BY BUS OR IN CARS FOR VISIT  
TO PICTUREQUE CHURCH CITIES OF  
VLADIMIR AND SUZDAL. TRIP IS ABOUT  
3 HOURS ONE WAY.

2100 ARRIVAL AT HOTEL ROSSIYA WITH DINNER  
AVAILABLE. (COMMENT: WE POINTED OUT THAT  
CODEL MIGHT BE TIRED AND NOT WISH TO MAKE  
SUCH A LONG TRIP ON FIRST DAY. WE ALSO  
SAID WE HAD PLANNED TO HAVE CODEL COME TO  
EMBASSY FOR BRIEFING FROM 1000 TO 1130.  
VYSOTIN SAID VLADIMIR-SUZDAL TRIP WAS UP  
TO CODEL AND IF THEY WANTED TO MAKE TRIP,  
PERHAPS EMBASSY COULD ARRANGE BRIEFING ON  
EVENING ARRIVAL. HE ALSO SAID THAT PROGRAM  
OF TOURISM COULD BE ARRANGED IN AND  
NEAR MOSCOW IF VLADIMIR-SUZDAL NOT  
DESIRED. WE RECOMMEND AGAINST TRIP  
WHICH WOULD BE TIRING AND TAKE UP WHOLE  
DAY. IF CODEL INTERESTED IN THAT SORT  
OF TOUR, WE WOULD SUGGEST ZAGORSK WHICH  
TAKES LITTLE OVER AN HOUR TO REACH.)

MONDAY, JUNE 30

1000- OFFICIAL VISIT IN GRAND KREMLIN PALACE  
1030 WITH CHAIRMAN OF SUPREME SOVIET COUNCIL OF  
NATIONALITIES (RUBEN) AND CHAIRMAN OF  
COUNCIL OF UNION (SHITIKOV). (WIVES NOT  
INCLUDED.) VYSOTIN SAID RUBEN IS ILL AND  
MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.  
1030- TOUR OF GRAND KREMLIN PALACE AND KREMLIN  
1130 DIAMOND FUND (WITH WIVES).

1130- BUSINESS MEETING AT KREMLIN WITH SUPREME  
APPROX. 1330 SOVIET DEPUTIES.

1345- OFFICIAL LUNCH HOSTED BY SUPREME SOVIET  
APPROX 1545 (WITH WIVES).

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1600- CONTINUATION OF BUSINESS MEETING.  
1800

1900 BALLET AT GRAND BREMLIN PALACE. FOOD  
WOULD BE SERVED BETWEEN ACTS.  
PERFORMANCE IS "SPANISH MINIATURES" BY  
NOVOSIBIRSK BALLET COMPANY. DELEGATION  
COULD RETURN TO HOTEL BETWEEN MEETING AND

BALLET. BUILDINGS ARE WITHIN 20-MINUTES  
WALK OF EACH OTHER.  
(COMMENT: BOLSHOY BALLET IS NOW IN U.S.  
EMBOFF WHO HAS SEEN NOVOSIBIRSK COMPANY  
SAYS IT IS A GOOD, YOUNG TROUPE WHICH  
PUTS ON AN INTERESTING PERFORMANCE.)

TUESDAY, JULY 1  
1000- BUSINESS MEETING.  
APPROX. 1230

1300 LUNCH AT HOTEL.

1500- TIME SET ASIDE FOR SEPARATE MEETINGS AS  
APPROX 1800 REQUESTED BY CODEL. USA INSTITUTE,  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF  
FOREIGN TRADE, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE GIVEN AS  
EXAMPLES BY VYSOTIN. SOVIETS FLEXIBLE AND  
WOULD TRY TO ACCOMMODATE ANY PERSONAL  
WISHES OF SENATORS, VYSOTIN SAID.

2000 BUFFET AT SPASO HOUSE.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2  
1000- FINAL MEETING AT KREMLIN  
1200  
AFTERNOON FREE TIME, BUT JOINT OR  
SEPARATE PROGRAMS CAN BE ARRANGED  
SUBJECT TO SENATORS' WISHES.

1830 DEPARTURE FOR LENINGRAD. VYSOTIN SAID  
THAT KING OF BELGIUM WILL BE IN LENINGRAD  
UNTIL 1900 JULY 2 AND THAT SINCE  
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LENINGRAD OFFICIALS WILL BE TIED UP WITH  
KING'S VISIT, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR  
CODEL TO ARRIVE AFTER HIS DEPARTURE.

THURSDAY, JULY 3  
LENINGRAD PROGRAM NOT YET FIRM BUT VYSOTIN SAID  
TENTATIVE PLANS WERE FOR MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN  
(I.E., MAYOR) OF LENINGRAD CITY COUNCIL V.I. KAZAKOV.  
VISIT TO PISKAREVSKOYE CEMETERY, TOUR OF HERMITAGE  
(GOLD COLLECTION INCLUDED), AND BALLET (PROBABLY KIROV)  
IN EVENING. CITY COUNCIL WILL ALSO GIVE OFFICIAL  
LUNCHEON FOR GROUP. CODEL WILL BE ACCOMMODATED AT  
ASTORIA HOTEL BECAUSE LENINGRAD HOTEL IS SITE OF LARGE  
INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON BIOLOGY AND WILL BE  
EXTREMELY "NOISY," ACCORDING TO VYSOTIN. ITS LOCATION

IS ALSO NOT AS DESIRABLE AS ASTORIA. (COMMENT: WE  
AGREE THAT ASTORIA WOULD BE PREFERABLE.)

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3. OTHER PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS.

A. VYSOTIN SUGGESTED THAT ONE OR BOTH OF DELEGATION  
HEADS MIGHT LIKE TO APPEAR FOR INTERVIEW OR  
TO MAKE STATEMENT ON SOVIET TELEVISION.

(COMMENT: EMBASSY STRONGLY SUPPORTS THIS  
SUGGESTION AND BELIEVES SUCH AN APPEARANCE  
WOULD ADVANCE U.S. NATIONAL INTERESTS HERE.)

B. VYSOTIN SUGGESTED DELEGATION MIGHT WISH TO VISIT  
LENIN MAUSOLEUM AND NEARBY TOMB OF UNKNOWN  
SOLDIER AT SOME POINT TO LAY A WREATH.

(COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES WREATH-LAYING AT  
TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER WOULD BE APPROPRIATE,  
BUT WOULD DISCOURAGE VISIT TO LENIN MAUSOLEUM.)

C. SUPREME SOVIET DEPUTY AND DIRECTOR OF USA  
INSTITUTE GEORGIY ARBATOV WILL BE MAINLY  
RESPONSIBLE FOR CODEL DURING VISIT HERE. HE  
AND SEVERAL OTHERS FROM SUPREME SOVIET WILL  
ACCOMPANY GROUP TO LENINGRAD. (COMMENT: ARBATOV  
AND OTHERS WILL PROBABLY EXPECT TO RIDE TO  
LENINGRAD ON U.S. AIRCRAFT)

D. PRESS MATTERS.  
VYSOTIN SAID SOVIETS WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS  
TO CODEL HAVING PRESS CONFERENCE, JOINT OR  
OTHERWISE, WITH SOVIET AND MOSCOW-BASED U.S.

PRESS. THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITY FOR SOVIET  
AND U.S. PRESS TO ATTEND AND TAKE PICTURES AT  
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BEGINNING OF FIRST MEETING IN GRAND KREMLIN  
PALACE, I.E., AT 1000 ON JUNE 30. SOVIETS  
ARE PLANNING TO MAKE A DOCUMENTARY FILM ON THE  
CODEL VISIT WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE  
SENATE AT A LATER DATE.

D. WE INFORMED VYSOTIN THAT SENATOR AND MRS. SCOTT  
PLAN TO OVERNIGHT IN MOSCOW JULY 2 AND DEPART  
FOR WARSAW JULY 3. HE SAID THIS WOULD POSE NO  
PROBLEM, BUT WANTED TO KNOW IF ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
DEPARTURE HAD BEEN MADE. (WE WERE NOT AWARE OF  
HUMPHREY/CULVER CHANGES IN PLANS PER REF B, BUT  
ARE INFORMING MFA AND SUPREME SOVIET. WE ARE  
ALSO INFORMING OF LEAHY REQUEST FOR DOUBLE BED.)

E. VYSOTIN SAID SOVIETS PLANNED TO PRESENT  
"SOUVENIERS" TO CODEL MEMBERS. VALUE WILL BE  
LESS THAN \$50.00.

4. TRANSPORTATION. DELEGATION HEADS WILL EACH BE ASSIGNED  
CHAIKA LIMOUSINE AND EACH OTHER SENATOR AND WIFE A VOLGA  
SEDAN. ACCOMPANYING STAFF AND ESCORTS WILL BE ASSIGNED  
VOLGA SEDANS, WITH THREE TO A CAR. DURING SEPARATE  
PARTS OF PROGRAM, WIVES WILL TRAVEL EITHER BY  
COMFORTABLE, MODERN BUS OR BY CARS, IF THEY WISH.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS AT HOTEL. VYSOTIN UNDERSTOOD,  
ALTHOUGH HE FOUND IT CURIOUS, THAT CODEL WOULD PAY FOR  
COTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS AND FOOD. HE SAID IT IS  
STRONGLY PREFERABLE THAT THERE BE ONLY ONE COMBINED  
BILL WHICH COULD BE PAID BY CODEL DIRECTLY OR BY  
EMBASSY. SEPARATE BILLS WILL BE CONFUSING AND DIFFICULT  
TO HANDLE. (COMMENT: EMBASSY STRONGLY AGREES AND HOPES  
DEPARTMENT WILL BE ABLE TO ARRANGE CODEL'S AGREEMENT  
TO PAYMENT BY EMBASSY BOTH IN LENINGRAD AND MOSCOW, CHARGING  
19FT510 FUNDS, OR ALTERNATIVELY HAVE MEMBER OF CODEL  
PAY FULL BILL IN LUMP SUM.)

6. HOTEL. SOVIETS WILL TRY TO PUT ENTIRE CODEL ON ONE  
FLOOR ON SAME WING OF HOTELS IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD  
AND PROVIDE SPACE FOR EMBASSY CONTROL ROOM IN CENTRAL  
LOCATION. THERE WILL ALSO BE A SOVIET CONTROL ROOM.  
HOPEFULLY, WE WILL BE ABLE TO CABLE DEPARTMENT ROOM  
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NUMBERS IN ADVANCE SO BAGGAGE CAN BE PRE-TAGGED.

7. SEPTTEL WILL FOLLOW NEXT WEEK ON DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF EMBASSY PLANS TO SUPPORT CODEL VISIT.

8. ACTION REQUESTS. BASED ON ABOVE, DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO RESPOND TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

A. WILL CODEL HAVE DINNER ON AIRCRAFT PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW? WE WOULD, OF COURSE, BE AVAILABLE TO MEET WITH CODEL SATURDAY EVENING IF DESIRED. INDICATION OF CODEL'S WISHES REQUESTED.

B. DOES CODEL WISH TO MAKE VLADIMIR-SUZDAL TRIP ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29?

C. IF SO, WOULD THEY LIKE BRIEFING FROM EMBASSY ON EVENING OF ARRIVAL?

D. IF NOT, IS BRIEFING TIME (1000-1130 ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29) ACCEPTABLE?

E. IF VLADIMIR-SUZDAL TRIP NOT DESIRED, DOES CODEL HAVE ANY SPECIAL REQUESTS FOR SUNDAY? SUPREME SOVIET COULD SET UP TOUR OF CITY OR VISITS TO PLACES CLOSE TO MOSCOW LIKE ZAGORSK, ARKANGELSKOYE, ETC.

F. MAY WE TELL SOVIETS CODEL WOULD LIKE TO LAY WREATH AT TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER?

G. REGARDING "SEPARATE MEETINGS" AFTERNOON OF JULY 1, SOVETS WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE INDICATION OF CODEL'S DESIRES (PART OF WHICH VYSOTIN SEEMED TO HAVE FROM SOVIET EMBASSY WASHINGTON). WE WOULD PLAN TO HAVE EMBOFF ESCORTS AT VARIOUS MEETINGS WITH SOVIETS. IS THIS ACCEPTABLE TO CODEL?

H. WILL ENTIRE STAFF ATTEND PLENARY BUSINESS MEETINGS? VYSOTIN SAID HE ASSUMED REPRESENTATIVES OF EMBASSY WOULD ALSO ATTEND. IS THIS ACCEPTABLE TO CODEL?

I. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE CLEARER INDICATION OF CODEL'S PLANS FOR MOSCOW-LENINGRAD TRAVEL JULY 2. IS 1830 DEPARTURE (I.E., 1700 DEPARTURE FROM HOTEL) ACCEPTABLE; OR SOME CODEL MEMBERS STILL WISH TO TRAVEL BY TRAIN? WE WOULD PLAN TO HAVE CONGEN OFFICER COME TO MOSCOW TO ESCORT CODEL TO LENINGRAD AND SEND SEVERAL EMBOFFS TO ASSIST.  
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J. WHAT ARE CODEL'S DESIRES FOR FREE TIME AFTERNOON OF JULY 2, I.E., BEFORE DEPARTURE FOR LENINGRAD?

K. AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO INVITE SENATORS HUMPHREY, SCOTT, CULVER, WIVES, AND ANY STAFF REMAINING IN MOSCOW EVENING OF JULY 2 TO BE HIS GUESTS AT PERFORMANCE OF NEW YORK JAZZ REPERATORY COMPANY IN MOSCOW.

WHICH WE ARE SUGGESTING AS PROTOCOL NIGHT. COMPANY IS HERE ON OFFICIAL EXCHANGE VISIT IN CONNECTION WITH 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF LOUIS ARMSTONG'S BIRTH. PLEASE ADVISE HOW MANY WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, AND IF ADDITIONAL STAFF MEMBERS, BESIDES SAUNDERS, PLAN TO REMAIN IN MOSCOW.

L. CAN WE TELL SUPREME SOVIET THAT TELEVISION APPEARANCE BY CODEL HEADS IS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE? (PARA 3A ABOVE) IF SO, WHAT FORMAT WOULD CODEL PREFER?

M. DOES CODEL WANT PRESS CONFERENCE, PRESUMABLY AFTER FINAL BUSINESS MEETING JULY 2?

N. WILL CODEL OFFER RIDE ON AIRCRAFT TO LENINGRAD TO ARBATOV AND OTHERS? (PARA 3B ABOVE). TO EMBASSY ESCORTS?

O. ARE TRANSPORTATION AND HOTEL ARRANGMENTS DESCRIBED ABOVE SATISFACTORY?

P. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO PAY HOTEL ROOM, CONTROL ROOM AND FOOD COSTS DIRECTLY FROM 19FT510 FUNDS. WE ARE QUERYING SOVIETS ON THESE COSTS, WHICH IN SOME CASES MAY EXCEED AUTHORIZED \$75.00 PER DIEM.

Q. HOW DOES CODEL PLAN TO COVER COSTS FOR SPASO HOUSE BUFFET? FYI: WE EXPECT ABOUT 200 GUESTS, INCLUDING CODEL WITH COST OF ABOUT \$1,200 TO \$1,500.00. STOESSEL

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